

HEALTH CARE RECORDS, DATA COLLECTION and CONFIDENTIALITY CITATIONS
EXCERPTS FROM THE CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS

TITLE 22. Social Security

Division 1. Licensing and Certification of Health Facilities, Home Health Agencies, and Referral Agencies

Chapter 7. Primary Care Clinics

Article 6. Administration

§75054. Patient Health Record Service.

(a) Records shall be permanent, either typewritten or legibly written in ink and shall be kept on all patients accepted for treatment. All health records of discharged patients shall be completed and filed within 30 days after termination of each episode of treatment and such records shall be kept for a minimum of 7 years, except for minors whose records shall be kept at least until one (1) year after the minor has reached the age of 18, but in no case less than seven (7) years...

Chapter 7. Psychology Clinics

Article 4. Administration

§75343. Unit Patient Treatment Records.

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Chapter 9. Psychiatric Health Facilities

Article 4. Administration

§77143. Health Record Availability.

...(c) Patient health records or reproductions thereof, shall be safely preserved for a minimum of seven years following discharge of the patient, except that the records of unemancipated minors shall be kept at least one year after such minor has reached the age of 18 years and, in any case, not less than seven years...